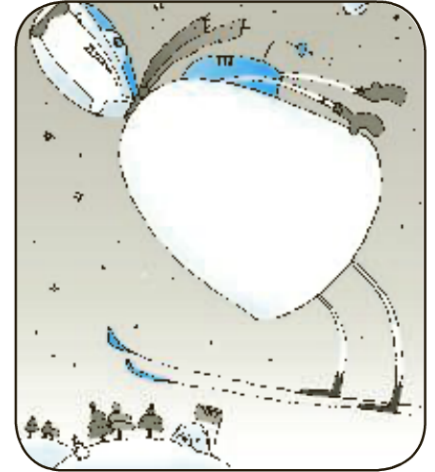


Capitalization 1

Good writers write good sentences. They also check their details and proofread their work to get rid of errors. In this exercise, you will proofread your writing for capitalization errors. The key to capitalizing correctly is remembering to capitalize all proper nouns and proper adjectives. (See 676.1–676.4, 678.5, and 680.2 in *Texas Write Source* to review capitalization rules.)



Examples

Capitalize Historical Events and Proper Nouns:

The 2002 Winter Olympics were in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Capitalize Names and Words Used as Names:

Felix and Aunt Necia went to the games in Sydney, Australia.

Capitalize Titles Used with Names:

For years, President Juan A. Samaranch had been in charge of the games.

Capitalize Particular Sections of the Country:

The West Coast is the perfect place for skiing and sledding competitions.

Directions

Add capital letters to the following sentences as needed. The first sentence has been done for you.

1. The ^I/~~i~~nternational ^O/~~o~~lympic ^C/~~c~~ommittee decides where the games will be held.
2. Salt Lake city, utah, was a perfect place for the winter games in 2002.
3. Winter conditions east of Salt lake City are ideal for skiing and skating.
4. The wasatch mountains are east of Salt lake City.
5. During the planning for the games, mayor rocky anderson met with the united states olympic committee.
6. A hare, a coyote, and a bear were the official olympic mascots of the salt lake city games.
7. Their names were swifter, higher, and stronger.

8. Officials from salt lake city hoped that many tourists would come to the games.
9. At our school, we studied the history of utah.
10. mr. markus, our science teacher, visited utah last spring.
11. The olympic flame was first used in the opening ceremonies in the 1936 summer games in berlin.
12. The olympic flag has five rings that represent unity among the continents of africa, the americas, asia, australia, and europe.
13. My uncle was at the competition where Nadia comaneci, a romanian gymnast, earned the first perfect score in olympic gymnastics.
14. The international sports federation decides the rules for gymnastic competitions.
15. World war I forced the cancellation of the 1916 games, planned for berlin, germany.
16. At the 1936 berlin games, african american athlete jesse owens won gold medals in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, and long jump event.
17. Last friday, mayor jackson and five council members attended an Olympic site-selection meeting in new york.
18. The meeting was sponsored by mcdonald's corporation.

Next Step Using the Internet or other sources, research one of the past Olympic Games. Find out who the stars were and write about your findings in a paragraph or two. Share your writing aloud with a classmate. Then ask your classmate to check that you've capitalized words correctly.